

REMARKS

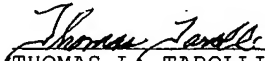
Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the present amendment is respectfully requested. By this amendment, claim 17 is amended, and claims 15 and 16 are canceled.

Applicant appreciates the allowance of claim 17 if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, claim 17 is amended to include all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. Therefore, claim 17 is allowable.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the above-identified application is in condition for allowance, and allowance of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment the fees for this amendment to our Deposit Account No. 20-0090.

Respectfully submitted,


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